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1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 6/27/2005.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 20,25-32,34-37 and 40.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
- (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
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6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date _____
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☒ Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date 9/19/2005.
7. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
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9. ☐ Other _____

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Response to Amendment

This office action is responsive to Applicant's amendment filed on June 27, 2005. Claims 1-19, 21-24, 33, and 38-39 are cancelled. Claims 20 and 25-28 have been amended. Claims 29-40 are added.

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Scott Smiley on Sep. 19, 2005.

The application has been amended as follows:

Claims 1-19 cancelled.

Claim 20 (Currently Amended) The method of claim 31, wherein said steps of producing a record and transmitting said record includes the step of producing and transmitting a record of at least one of a time, a date, and a location of access to data.

Claim 21-24 cancelled.

Claim 25 (Currently Amended) The device of claim 40, wherein the at least one designated party is a party sending the file to the address of the device from the remote system.

Claim 26 (Currently Amended) The device of claim 40, wherein the file comprises data identifying the at least one designated party.

Claim 27 (Currently Amended) The device of claim 40, wherein the notification includes at least one of a date the file is sent to the output device, a time the file is sent to the output device, and a location of the output device where the file is sent.

Claim 28 (Currently Amended) The device of claim 40, wherein the input is at least one of a smart card reader, an iButton reader, radio frequency ID reader, and a Java ring reader.

Claim 29 (New) The method of claim 20, wherein said steps of producing a record and transmitting said record includes the step of producing and transmitting a record of personal identifying information of the person who accepted the output.

Claim 30 (New) The method of claim 29, wherein said steps of producing a record and transmitting said record includes the step of producing and transmitting a record of a name of the person who accepted the output.

Claim 31 (Currently Amended) A method for retrieving a document and for transmitting back, the identifying data of a party accessing or making a copy of the document transmitted through a two-way telecommunications system, comprising the steps of:

transmitting a document from a system device through a two-way communications system to an address of a presentation device, using one bidirectional communications protocol;

storing said document in said presentation device;

as a first step in accessing a copy of said document, inputting at said presentation device, identifying data indicative of the identification of a party accessing the document, **wherein said identifying data is in VCARD format;**

as a second step in accessing a copy of said document, without authentication and directly responsive to receiving said identifying data, producing a print command;

producing a copy of said document, in direct response to said print command;

producing a record of said identifying data used to produce said print command;

and

transmitting said record through said two-way communications system using said one bidirectional communications protocol, **wherein said one bidirectional communications protocol comprises one of an Internet Printing Protocol (IPP), an Internet FAX (IFAX) protocol and an Intelligent Printer Data Stream (IPDS).**

Claim 32 (Currently Amended) The method of claim 31, wherein said step of producing said print command includes the step of producing said print command in direct response to receiving said data in said predetermined format.

Claim 33 cancelled.

Claim 34 (Currently Amended) The method of claim 31, wherein said steps of producing a record and transmitting said record includes the step of producing and transmitting a record of personal identifying information of the person who accepted the output.

Claim 35 (New) The method of claim 34, wherein said steps of producing a record and transmitting said record includes the step of producing and transmitting a record of a name of the person who accepted the output.

Claim 36 (Currently Amended) A computer readable media comprising programming instructions for performing the method of retrieving a document and for transmitting back, the identifying data of a party accessing or making a copy of the document transmitted through a two-way telecommunications system, the computer readable media comprising the programming instructions of:

transmitting a document from a system device through a two-way communications system to an address of a presentation device, using one bidirectional communications protocol;

storing said document in said presentation device;

as a first step in accessing a copy of said document, inputting at said presentation device, identifying data indicative of the identification of a party accessing the document, **wherein said identifying data is in VCARD format;**

as a second step in accessing a copy of said document, without authentication and directly responsive to receiving said identifying data, producing a print command;

producing a copy of said document, in direct response to said print command;

producing a record of said identifying data used to produce said print command;

and

transmitting said record through said two-way communications system using said one bidirectional communications protocol, **wherein said one bidirectional communications protocol comprises one of an Internet Printing Protocol (IPP), an Internet FAX (IFAX) protocol and an Intelligent Printer Data Stream (IPDS).**

Claim 37 (New) The computer readable media of claim 36, wherein said record of said identifying data used to produce said print command includes a name of the party accessing the document.

Claims 38-39 cancelled.

Claim 40 (Currently Amended) A device for notifying, through a two-way communications system, a designated party of remote output by a recipient, the device comprising:

an address;

a receiver for receiving a file from a remote system sent to the address;

an input for entering identification information of a user receiving the file from the receiver, **wherein said identification information is in VCARD format;**

an output for sending the file to an output device as a direct response to the entry of the identification data and without authentication, using one bidirectional communications protocol; and

a transmitter for sending, through said two-way communications system, a notification of the output of the file to the output device and the identification information of the user to at least one designated party, using said one bidirectional communications protocol, **wherein said one bidirectional communications protocol comprises one of an Internet Printing Protocol (IPP), an Internet FAX (IFAX) protocol and an Intelligent Printer Data Stream (IPDS).**


Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 20, 25-32, 34-37, and 40 are allowed.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Arezoo Sherkat whose telephone number is (571) 272-3796. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:00-4:30 Monday-Friday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Ayaz Sheikh can be reached on (571) 272-3795. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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